

Amendments to the Claims:

1-62. (canceled)

1 ~~62~~. (currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid comprising:

(a) ~~the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:206;~~

(b) ~~the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:206, lacking its associated signal peptide;~~

[[(c)]] (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:205;

[[(d)]] (b) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:205; or

[[(e)]] (c) ~~the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide encoded by the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 209812.~~

64. (canceled)

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67. (canceled)

2 ~~68~~. (previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim ~~63~~ comprising the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:205.

3 ~~69~~. (previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim ~~63~~ comprising the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:205.

4 ~~70~~. (previously presented) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim ~~63~~ comprising the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 209812.

71. (canceled)

72. (canceled)

73. (canceled)

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- 5 ~~74~~. (currently amended) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of Claim ~~[[58]]~~ ¹ ~~68~~.
- 6 ~~75~~. (previously presented) The vector of Claim ~~74~~ ⁵, wherein said nucleic acid is operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.
- 7 ~~76~~. (currently amended) An isolated host cell comprising the vector of Claim ~~74~~ ⁵.
- 8 ~~77~~. (previously presented) The host cell of Claim ~~76~~ ⁷, wherein said cell is a CHO cell, an *E. coli* or a yeast cell.
- 9 ~~78~~. (currently amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule consisting of an at least 100 ~~[[20]]~~ nucleotides fragment of the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:205, or a complement thereof, that specifically in length that hybridizes under stringent conditions to:
- (a) the nucleic acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 205 or a complement thereof;
 - (b) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 209812 or a complement thereof;
- wherein, said stringent conditions use 50% formamide, 5 x SSC, 50 mM sodium phosphate (pH 6.8), 0.1% sodium pyrophosphate, 5x Denhardt's solution, sonicated salmon sperm DNA (50 µg/ml), 0.1% SDS, and 10% dextran sulfate at 42 °C, with washes at 42 °C in 0.2 x SSC and 50% formamide at 55 °C, followed by a wash comprising of 0.1 x SSC containing EDTA at 55 °C, wherein said isolated nucleic acid molecule is suitable for use as a PCR primer or probe.

79-84. (canceled)